

PHARMACY BOARD[657]

Adopted and Filed

Pursuant to the authority of Iowa Code section 272C.2, the Board of Pharmacy hereby amends Chapter 2, "Pharmacist Licenses," Iowa Administrative Code.

The amendment provides for an exemption from pharmacist continuing education requirements during any period in which a pharmacist is participating in a pharmacy residency program and requires that a pharmacist wishing such exemption petition the Board as soon as possible following commencement of the residency program and prior to completion of the program.

Requests for waiver or variance of the discretionary provisions of these rules will be considered pursuant to 657—Chapter 34.

Notice of Intended Action was published in the November 3, 2010, Iowa Administrative Bulletin as **ARC 9192B**. The Board received no written comments regarding the proposed amendment. The adopted amendment is identical to that published under Notice.

The amendment was approved during the January 11, 2011, meeting of the Board of Pharmacy.

This amendment will become effective on April 13, 2011.

This amendment is intended to implement Iowa Code section 272C.2.

The following amendment is adopted.

Amend paragraph **2.12(1)“b”** as follows:

b. Exemption for health-related graduate studies. A pharmacist who is continuing formal education in health-related graduate programs, including participation in a pharmacy residency program, may be exempted from meeting the continuing education requirements during the period of such enrollment or participation. An applicant for this exemption shall petition the board, as soon as possible following enrollment in the qualifying graduate program or commencement of the pharmacy residency program and prior to completion of the qualifying program, on forms provided by the board office. At the discretion of the board, exemption during part-time or short-term enrollment in a health-related graduate program may be prorated for the actual period of such enrollment.

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